

## Social and Personal

Lee Camp Hall was brilliantly lighted and beautifully decorated last afternoon for the annual tea given by the Richmond Chapter, Daughters of the Confederacy. The chandeliers were shaded in red, and silver candelabra, with red and white candles, gave an additional glow and brightness to the hall, showing the soldierly faces and manly forms which looked down from the portraits which lined the walls.

Red tulips and white narcissi made the centerpiece in floral decoration on the tea table. Red and white ribbons, extending from the chandelier, were caught with clusters of glossy, dark green laurel leaves. Vases of the red and white flowers rested also on the chocolate table and wherever a point of vantage was offered throughout the hall.

Ladies receiving were Mrs. Walter Christian, in black embroidered jet robe, over black taffeta; Miss Mary Amelia Smith, in black satin and point lace; Mrs. Edgar Taylor, in black silk net, over mauve, inset with lace medallions; Miss Isoline Mosca, in white silk voile, trimmed with lace and chiffon; Mrs. Stephen Beveridge, in black net, embroidered in jet, over black silk.

The hall was filled with a throng of veterans, visiting Daughters, guests from other States, members of the different organizations and of the chapter. Every one was animated; the hostesses of the occasion were most cordial in their greeting, and the spirit of the Confederacy seemed to live again in every heart and on every lip of those present.

Mrs. E. V. Valentine served salad. Miss Mattie Harris and Mrs. Cateby Jones, the hostesses, Mrs. Alan Jorvey was at the chocolate table.

The young ladies, who looked charming in their white frocks and red and white ribbons and handed refreshments to callers, were: Miss Helen With, Miss Nellie Spencer, Miss Jennie Cullen, Miss Eleanor Alcock, Miss Lucy Newton Christian, Miss Rosalie Fontaine Jones, Miss Bessie Boyden, of Albemarle; Miss Elizabeth Morrison, Miss Helen McIntyre and Miss Misses Martha Purcell and Martha Chambers.

The portrait painted by Miss Emma Whitfield of General Richard Griffith, of Mississippi, was on exhibition in the hall and elicited much complimentary comment, the likeness being considered a very strong one. The portrait will be seen at the rooms of the Richmond Art Company for a week before it is sent to Mississippi, where it will be hung in the new Capitol building.

Among the strangers present were Mrs. H. B. Smith, of Chicago, and Miss Nellie Smith, of New York.

**C. M. L. S. Meeting.**  
Mrs. Stephen Putney presided yesterday over the meeting, at noon, of the Confederate Memorial Literary Society.

It was reported that the following telegram of sympathy was sent Mrs. John B. Gordon:

Richmond, Va., Jan. 12, 1904.  
To Mrs. John B. Gordon, Atlanta, Ga.: Our hearts and prayers are with you and the children of our beloved commander in your sorrow, while we rejoice in the last and greatest victory and promotion of the Christian soldier.

BELLE S. BRYAN,  
President Confederate Memorial Literary Society, Richmond, Va.  
A letter of condolence to Mrs. Longstreet was also reported. The letter is given here:

My Dear Mrs. Longstreet—The Confederate Memorial Literary Society desires, through me, to express to you the assurance of our truest sympathy in this, your hour of deepest trial.

As a Confederate organization, we honor above all things the soldiers who fought for the cause we love; as a memorial society, we have pledged ourselves to keep their memories green and unsullied in the eyes of the coming generations.

And so it is fitting when our heroes, one by one, answer to the final roll call of the Great Commander, that we should remember in our prayers and hearts the dear ones who bear their names and mourn their loss.

With renewed sympathy and regard,  
Yours faithfully,  
LIZZIE CARY DANIEL.

The corresponding secretary further announced that:

At the annual meeting of the Confederate Memorial Literary Society, on December 6, 1903, Mrs. Lizzie Cary Daniel and Mrs. Kate Pleasant Minor were appointed a committee to draft resolutions of thanks to Judge George L. Christian, the retiring chairman of the History Committee of the Grand Camp of Virginia, Confederate Veterans, for his services in that position. The committee submitted the following resolutions, which were unanimously adopted:

Whereas the preservation of the truth as to our Confederate history, as well as the perpetuation of the memory of the Confederate soldier, has been the reason for the existence of the Confederate Memorial Literary Society, we feel it to be peculiarly fitting that we should give formal testimony of our thanks to Judge George L. Christian for his able services as chairman of the History Committee.

That we recognize the value of his labors in the unflinching correction of error and falsehood, wherever found, and the establishment of truth and accuracy;

And that we believe we voice the sentiment of future generations of earnest and truth-loving souls in this expression of our high appreciation of his painstaking investigation and patriotic fearlessness in furthering a truthful record of the great struggle for constitutional freedom, in which he himself bore so honorable a part.

LIZZIE CARY DANIEL,  
KATIE MINOR PLEASANT'S  
Committee.

Letters of sympathy will be sent Mrs. Decatur Axtell, Mrs. R. S. Boshier and Mrs. W. A. Harris.

Mrs. James H. Werth was unanimously chosen second vice-president of the society, to succeed Mrs. E. C. Minor. Mrs. William Crenshaw was elected vice-regent for Missouri. Mrs. Botten III is alternate. Miss Emma Scott is vice-regent for Louisiana, to succeed Mrs. L. R. Danfield.

Minor E. T. D. Myers was chosen to fill the place on the advisory board left vacant by the death of Mr. R. S. Boshier.

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